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H. R. 1428

Entitled, the “North American Border Stations Improvements Act”.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DE LA GARZA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

Entitled, the “North American Border Stations
Improvements Act”.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION.**

4 (a) AGREEMENTS.—The Administrator of the Gen-
5 eral Services Administration, subject to amounts provided
6 in advance in appropriations Acts, may enter into agree-
7 ments with State, local governmental units, and private
8 corporations of the United States for the construction of
9 border stations on the borders of the United States with
10 Canada and Mexico. Agreements under this Act shall be
11 authorized only for facilities—

1 (1) that meet applicable Federal Government
2 requirements for border stations; and

3 (2) that are located on sites approved by the
4 Commissioner of the United States Customs Service,
5 the Commissioner of the Immigration and Natu-
6 ralization Service, the Secretary of Agriculture, and
7 the Administrator of the General Services Adminis-
8 tration.

9 **SEC. 2. TERMS OF AGREEMENTS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—An agreement entered into under
11 this Act shall provide for the acquisition of land and mate-
12 rials for the construction of border stations.

13 (b) TERMS AND LIMITATIONS.—

14 (1) LEASE AGREEMENT REQUIRED.—An agree-
15 ment entered into under this Act may provide for a
16 lease, with a term not to exceed 30 years.

17 (2) BORDER STATIONS.—This Act shall not
18 preclude existing corporate or privately owned bor-
19 der stations, and border stations owned by local gov-
20 ernmental units from making additions, modifica-
21 tions, replacements, and expansions of the port facil-
22 ity and its campus, which would necessarily allow for
23 an extension of the lease payment period subject to
24 the Administrator's approval.

1 (3) VESTED TITLE.—A lease agreement entered
2 into under this Act shall provide for the title to the
3 property and facilities to be vested in the “local gov-
4 ernmental unit” or in the instance of corporate or
5 privately owned facilities in the corporation or indi-
6 viduals.

7 **SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.**

8 For purposes of this Act, the term “local govern-
9 mental unit” means—

- 10 (1) a county, city or other local government;
11 (2) a bridge board, port authority, or other en-
12 tity established by a State or local government; and
13 (3) any combination of those governments and
14 entities.

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